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CNEP Workshop

VOTING AMIDST ECONOMIC CRISIS

"Southern Europe in a Comparative Perspective"

Friday, October 17, 2014, 12:30PM - 3:00PM

Mershon Center for International Security Studies
1501 Neil Ave. Columbus, OH 43201

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Overview

The economic crisis in Southern Europe has led to the disintegration of the party system and the rise of a neo-fascist party in Greece, the emergence of a comedian and his anti-system movement as the third-largest party in the Italian parliament, and massive waves of protest in Spain. José Ramón Montero (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid) and Richard Gunther (Ohio State) will present analyses of voting behavior in Greece, Italy, Portugal and Spain in comparative perspective. These presentations will analyze data from national election surveys following the most recent and previous Southern European elections, with the contrasting analysis of voting behavior in times of economic normalcy based upon 19 elections in 15 countries on five continents.

Program

12:30 p.m. Welcome and Lunch

1 to 2 p.m. Presentation by Richard Gunther analyzing the determinants of the vote during times of economic normalcy

2 to 3 p.m. Presentation by José Montero on the critical elections in Southern Europe during economic crisis

Organizers

Richard Gunther (PhD, University of California at Berkeley), professor emeritus of political science at The Ohio State University, is the international co-coordinator of the 31-country Comparative National Elections Project. From 1989 through 2000 he served as co-chair of the Subcommittee on Southern Europe of the American Council of Learned Societies and the Social Science Research Council. Gunther is author or editor of 15 books, most of them dealing with political parties, electoral behavior, and transitions to democratic rule. For a complete bio, see his [Mershon Center faculty page](#).

José Ramón Montero (PhD in Law, University of Santiago de Compostela), professor of political science at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (UAM). He has been a senior research fellow and representative at the European Science Foundation, dean at the University of Cádiz, chair of the Department of Political Science at UAM, sub-director of Spain's Center for Sociological Studies, director of the Economics and Social Science Program of the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science, vice-president of the Spanish Political Science Association, and member of the executive committee of the European Social Survey. He has published extensively on electoral behavior, political parties, political culture, and political participation.

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